

MINUTES

MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION

Wednesday, June 9, 2021

Meetings via Zoom – link on webpage, MEDWP.COM → Professionals → Well Drillers Commission

ATTENDEES:

Commission Members:

Dwight Doughty, (Chair)
Hydrogeologist, DOT
Daniel Locke
Hydrogeologist, MGS
William Dawson
Chief Engineer, DWP

Mike Otley
Public Member
Frank Hegarty
Master Well Driller

Joe Gallant
Master Well Driller
Glenn Dyer
Master Well Driller

Guests:

Lauren LaRochelle
State of Maine, AAG
Margaret Machaiek
State of Maine, AAG

David Philbrook
MWWC Well Inspector

Joseph Riitano
Exam Applicant

Minutes Prepared By:

Tina Lemieux, Commission Clerk, DWP

PROCEEDINGS: 9:04 AM

Review of Meeting Minutes:

Motion to accept the minutes from May 12, 2021

❖ **MOTION:** Frank Hegarty **2nd:** Dan Locke **VOTE:** Unanimous

Exam Applications:

1. JOSEPH R RIITANO JR_WD00572 – WD-J / PI-J – APPROVED

Motion to Approve.

❖ **MOTION:** Frank Hegarty **2nd:** Dan Locke **VOTE:** unanimous

2. RYAN WRAGG_WD02068_rcvd 4-24-21 – WD-M / PI-M - APPROVED

a. 6-9-21, pending outcome of complaint

Motion to Approve.

❖ **MOTION:** Mike Otley **2nd:** Dan Locke **VOTE:** unanimous

Specialty Well Applications – Commission Review:

1. DUTSON-BURNS – SWA

a. 6-9-21, denied, sent back for completion

Specialty Well Applications – In-House Approval:

1. AUDET-WEEKS – SWA
2. DEERING-GOODWIN – SWA
3. MOORE-BURNS – SWA
4. STRATTON-GOODWIN – SWA
5. PARISI-GOODWIN – SWA

Other Business:

1. Exams: **Thursday, July 15, 2021 @ 10am** at Key Bank Building, downtown Augusta
 - a. Eligible candidates have been notified by email

COMPLAINTS:

NEW:

CLIFFORD MARCHANT – PINE STATE – complaint, rcvd 5-18-21 – DENIED

- 6-9-21, complaint denied
 - o Complaints must be filed within 2-yr of well construction
 - o Recommended that complainant hire a driller to review issue
- 6-17-21, Notice of Denial sent

Motion to deny complaint.

❖ **MOTION:** Glenn Dyer **2nd:** Mike Otley **VOTE:** unanimous

NEW:

HEGARTY-GAP MTN, Ryan Wragg – rcvd 5-12-21 – OPEN

- 5-12-21, received complaint, (not on agenda)
- 5-12-21, Motion to table complaint and exam application until 6-9-21,
 - o Locke/Otley – Unanimous; Frank Hegarty, recused from vote
- 6-9-21, Notice of Complaint sent

Motion to accept complaint.

❖ **MOTION:** Glenn Dyer **2nd:** Mike Otley **VOTE:** 5-yea, 1-nay

- o Frank Hegarty, recused from vote

CONTINUED:

ROCK LIBBY: L&L Well Drilling – (654 South Rumford, Rumford, ME 04276)

DYER-L&L – (654 S), complaint, received 6-23-20 – open

- 6-25-20 – Notice of Complaint, sent to Rock Libby of L&L Well Drilling
- 7-8-20 – Reviewed and discussed complaint.
- 10-14-20 – Discussed and assigned violations and penalties
- 12-3-20 – Notice of Violation/Penalty, sent L&L Well Drilling/Rock Libby

DOUGHTY-L&L – (654 S), complaint, received 6-10-20 - open

- 6-10-20 – Notice of Complaint, sent to Rock Libby of L&L Well Drilling
- 7-8-20 – Reviewed and discussed complaint
- 10-14-20 – Discussed and assigned violations and penalties
- 12-3-20 – Notice of Violation/Penalty, sent L&L Well Drilling/Rock Libby

LOCKE-L&L – (654 S), complaint, received 5-4-20 - open

- 5-7-20 – Notice of Complaint, sent to Rock Libby and Anthony O’Connor
- 6-10-20 – Reviewed and discussed complaint
- 10-14-20 – Discussed and assigned violations and penalties
- 12-3-20 – Notice of Violation/Penalty sent, L&L Well Drilling/Rock Libby

ROCK LIBBY: L&L Well Drilling – (RTE 108, Rumford, ME 04276)

LOCKE-L&L – (RTE 108), complaint, rcvd 12-9-20 - open

- 12-17-20 – Notice of complaint sent
- Send 3rd Notice of Complaint before next meeting, 2-10-21

I. Consent Agreement (I of II) - reviewed and to be voted for approval

Motion for finalizing Commission approval of Consent Agreement I, regarding the 645 South Rumford property.

- ❖ **MOTION**: Frank Hegarty **2nd**: Mike Otley **VOTE**: 3 yea, 3 recused
 - Glenn Dyer, Dwight Doughty, and Daniel Locke recused from vote

DENSMORE – L&L WELL DRILLING:

DENSMORE-L&L – complaint, received 6-3-20 - open

- a. 6-4-20 – Notice of Complaint, sent to Rock Libby of L&L Well Drilling
- b. 6-10-20 – Reviewed and discussed complaint.
- c. 10-14-20 – Discussed and assigned violations and penalties
- d. 12-3-20 – Notice of Violation/Penalty, sent L&L Well Drilling/Rock Libby
- e. 1-13-21 - Moving forward for small claims court

II. Consent Agreement (II of II) - reviewed and to be voted for approval

Motion for finalizing Commission approval of Consent Agreement I, regarding the Densmore property in Turner, Maine.

❖ **MOTION**: Mike Otley **2nd**: Frank Hegarty **VOTE**: Unanimous

ANTHONY O’CONNOR:

LOCKE-OCONNOR (APPRENTICE) – (RTE 108), complaint, rcvd 12-9-20 - open

- a. 12-17-20 – Notice of complaint sent
- b. 1-27-21 – 3rd Notice of Complaint sent

LOCKE-OCONNOR (APPRENTICE) – (654 S), complaint, received 5-4-20 - open

- a. 11-20-20 – Notice of Complaint, sent to AJ O’Connor
 - o 1st Notice of Complaint, sent same time as L&L WD
- b. 12-9-20 – MWWC accepted complaint against AJ O’Connor
- c. 12-30-20 – 2nd Notice of Complaint, to be sent to AJ O’Connor
- d. 1-27-21 – 3rd Notice of Complaint sent

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 - o 1st Notice of Complaint, sent same time as L&L WD
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- c. 12-30-20 – 2nd Notice of Complaint, to be sent to AJ O’Connor
- d. 1-27-21 – 3rd Notice of Complaint sent

I. Letter of Revocation – O’Connor

- a. 6-17-21, Notice of Revocation sent
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Motion to Adjourn.

❖ **MOTION**: Glenn Dyer **2nd**: Joe Gallant **VOTE**: Unanimous

ADJOURNMENT:

TIME: **9:53 AM**